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BY ECF

Honorable Andrew J. Peck
United States Magistrate Judge
Southern District of New York
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: *Best v. Griffin*,
15-CV-4073 (CM)(AJP)

Your Honor:

I am an Assistant Attorney General in the office of Eric T. Schneiderman, Attorney General of the State of New York, attorney for respondent in the above-referenced habeas corpus matter. I write to inform the Court that respondent does not consent to decision on petitioner's habeas corpus petition by a United States Magistrate Judge.

Respectfully submitted,

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